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Last week was Friend-
ship Week; How many
Friends did you make?
None? Well, what are you
waiting for?

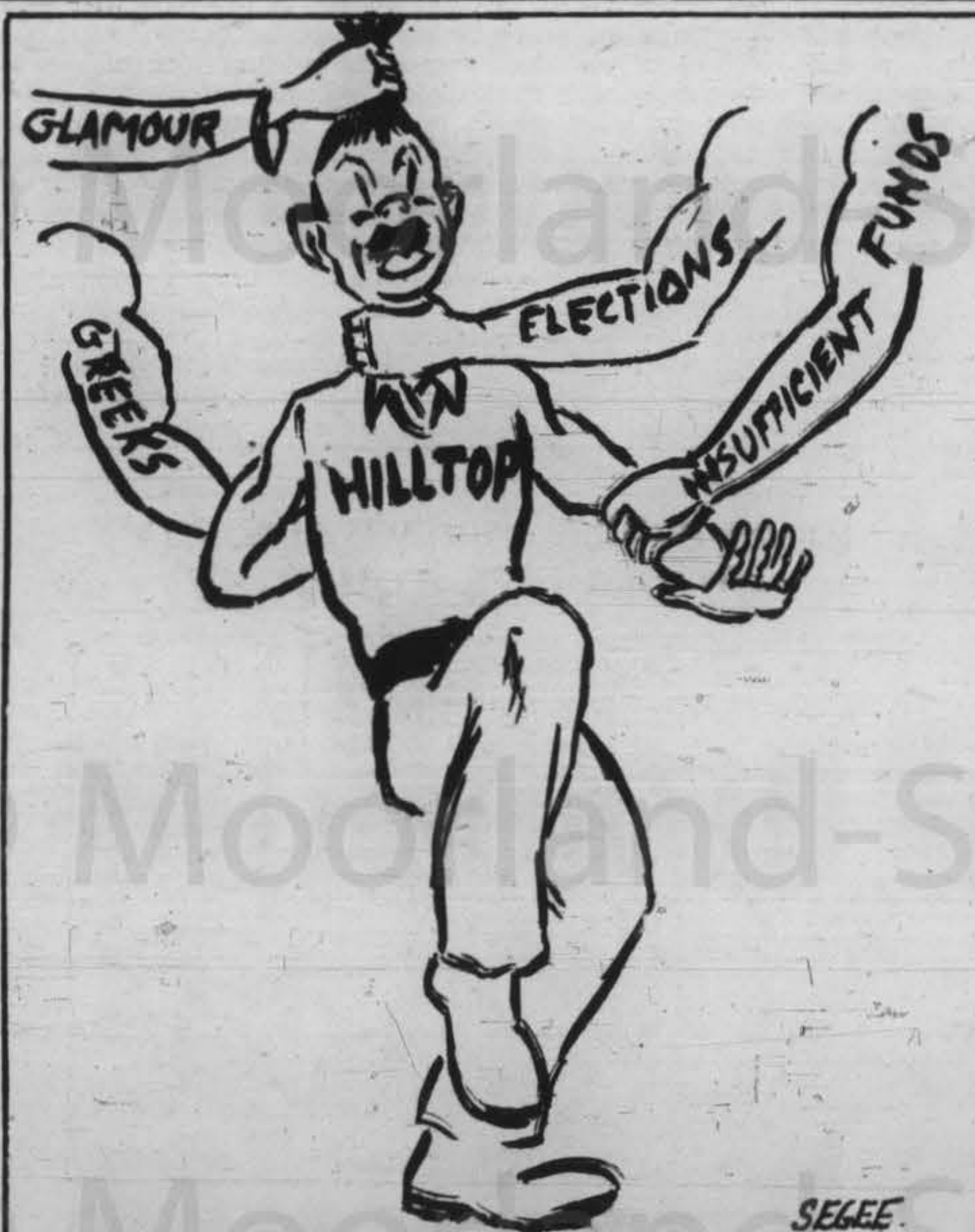
Hilltop



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HELP! THEY'RE KILLING ME!!

Editorial

The editor has for a long time been convinced that H. U. should have a student newspaper guided more by journalistic ideals than by social-note influences. For three years he has been relentless and unwavering in his efforts to make the *Hilltop* a reflection of general student thought and opinion, rather than a propaganda organ for any one organization, or small group of organizations. The tangible indices to his attitude are exhibited in his policy, over his two year period of editorship, of ignoring the organizational affiliations or staff members and making consistent high-caliber work requisite for promotions. He has also made inactivity, inaccuracy and new bias the main cause for demotion in the staff. These and related principles have resulted in the *Hilltop* staff of the past two years being composed of individuals of diverse organizational connections.

Last, year, the staff, in accord with these principles, attempted to place qualified persons in office by nominating staff members for the elected officers: it was hoped that the student body would see the wisdom in electing these candidates.

You all know the outcome of this maneuver. The two members whose nominations were sustained by the staff throughout the campaign and election, failed miserably. These two men were not socialites, so although one had been functioning in a responsible and important upper-staff position for two years, and the other for five quarters, both were utterly defeated in the balloting. The situation was an ultimate in farce. The third person whose nomination was withdrawn by the staff, admittedly at the instigation of the editor, after partially successful and ominous affiliatory lines were strung around him, lost in the balloting. The present editor won a second term in office. The clear victory, with the presence of a record vote, further convinced the editor that students were aware that his policy and efforts were understood and considered by the greater majority of the students for the common good. The campaign continued to keep the *Hilltop* free of socially partisan alliances.

By accident, the man who won the Associate Editors position justified his success by having had some training, interest and experience in journalism. It was his major study. He demonstrated his intelligence and concern for the welfare of the student body by not pressing strenuously for an open alliance with any student social faction. Nor did he object to editorial appointments made on the principles set up by the editor.

The man who gained the position of business manager demonstrated something by admitting that he is untrained and generally not interested in matters journalistic. He has submitted to greater supervision by the faculty advisor and to having many of his traditional and necessary functions carried on by assistants appointed by the editor. However, the presence of this amiable but inattentive and untrained individual is an ever-present stumbling block to *Hilltop* efficiency.

This year the staff is attempting to make a step toward introducing a merit principle into the electoral picture, so far as *Hilltop* officials are concerned. The *Hilltop* is asking that no one be placed on the ballot who has not had a year's experience or equivalent training on a college-level newspaper. We feel, and logic demonstrates, that this is a sound and reasonable request. Letters are informing the Student Council Nominations Committee of our stand on this matter.

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Safe Snatched From Cook

At midnight, Saturday March 26, Cooke Hall was burglarized. The "intruders" broke a ventilator out of the door in the dietitian's office, then, by reaching inside and turning the lock, they politely admitted themselves.

Just how they went about gaining entrance to the building is still a puzzle; yet six persons—one being a student, saw them. This person (the latter) bore evidence of the following:

Six men were standing on an open-back truck in which were stored two safes. Both were approximately 24 inches in height and 18 inches wide, weighing about 300 lbs. each. (Reports state that the Cooke Hall safe was bearing \$400 at the time).

Police think that the presence of a second safe was due to a previous robbery of Western Union. Both were found at approximately the same time.

In spite of the fact that the stolen property has been located, the identities of the culprits remain in the dark—could it have been an inside job—

N. A. A. C. P. Confab Here April 23

The annual Legislative Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which opens here on Howard's campus on April 23rd will be highlighted by a day of lobbying down on Capitol Hill for the passage or rejection of pending legislation pertinent to Negro problems. At the close of the session a dance will be given in conjunction with the Sigma Fraternity in the Home Economics Building.

The Howard chapter urges the entire faculty and student body to join with them as gracious hosts to numerous delegates from all parts of the country. Let us all participate actively in a most worthwhile effort.

Watch for further announcements concerning this event.

Military Ball Unique Affair

Before a tense crowd of cadets and their guest, the announcer will announce the winning candidate for position as Co-ed Colonel for 1949; at the annual R. O. T. C. Ball, which will be held April 8, 1949 in the Home Economics building at 8:00 p. m.

The winning young lady will be awarded a certificate, engraved sterling silver cup with initials, and an insignia that certifies that she is a full pledged Colonel of the army.

Highlighting the affair will be the presentation of some distinguished personalities which will not be revealed prior to the ball but will be presented as a surprise. In the previous military affair such guests as General Davis, Colonel of G-3 department of the Army, and Dr. Mordecai Johnson were honored guest.

Attire of R. O. T. C. Cadets will consist of well pressed R. O. T. C. uniform, non-military guest will be formally attired. Improperly uniformed cadets will be refused admittance to the unique affair.

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Now Is the Time to Practice Good Citizenship

College students have as a duty to their country, the responsibility of learning the tenets of good government, and to form the habits of practicing the kind of good citizenship that leads to good government. Whatever community they settle in, they will be the social, cultural, and directly or indirectly, the political leaders. As members of a minority, the great preponderance of Howard Students must learn their lessons in government very well, for the group among which they will be working dwell constant in the focus of public censure.

Fortunately, the students here have a fine opportunity to work a miniature of the government which will regulate their daily lives, when they become members of the tax-paying communities. Yearly, they are permitted to nominate and elect their own student officers to offices roughly the equivalent of those they will be called upon to make selections for in later life. They have the good fortune of being able to work closely with and becoming thoroughly familiar with, the persons they are called upon to vote for in the student elections. However, too often the students have forgotten completely the basic laws of good clean government, and have resorted too often to the vote-getting tactics and the vote-casting practices of their less educated fore-fathers.

Too many votes are solicited and too many ballots are cast on the basis of the student-candidates fraternal affiliations or his other social activities, and too few on the basis of his ability to perform the work required of him in the office for which he is a candidate. In addition to the fact that too many office-seekers get elected on the strength of their fraternal and social connections, there is an overwhelming attitude of apathy among the "independent" students toward the elections. Fewer than a thousand of more than three-thousand students in the College of Liberal Arts cast ballots on election day, and hardly ever is there a wholly independent candidate backed by the independent voters in the field.

The sororities and fraternities have grown smug with the knowledge that they "run" Howard. The persons they select are chosen "Queens" for everything requiring a queen, and only those that get behind get into office. Over the years they have dealt all of the dirty tricks known to professional politicians to get their "brother" or "sister" into office, or to push their "independent" over. However, it is not a reflection on them, but on the countless un-dictated students who are in the majority at the polls, but who constantly lack initiative to press for good clean government.

Negroes, to whom the vote is of such life-and-death importance should be ashamed to ever have it said that they can't be made to vote for their own legislators, whether it be for a Student-Council Representative now, or a state governor later. In the South a handful of white push the colored voters around because they have never had a chance at the polls in some instances, and because many of them wouldn't use their votes, given the chance, in other. Here, a few fraternal brothers, with their sorority sisters, lead a much larger group of students around by the nose simply because the so-called independent student won't vote. I ask which is worse.

National Physics Honor Society Organized At Howard

Sigma Pi Sigma, National Honor Society of Physics, accepted the petition of the local group of advanced physics students and faculty members and installed the Howard University Chapter in the Browning Room of Founders Library on March 7, 1949.

The Howard chapter was formally installed by Dr. March W. White, the national executive secretary of the society, and four other outstanding scientists as installing officers among whom were Dr. R. B. Scott of the National Bureau of Standards, Dr. Raymond Morgan of the University of Maryland, and Dr. D. P. LeGalley of the Naval Research Laboratory.

Sigma Pi Sigma was founded in 1921 at Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina. The Society now has more than fifty chapters in some of the leading universities and colleges in the country. Nearby chapters are located at George Washington University and the University of Maryland. There are 1300 active members in chapters and 5100 alumni members. Sigma Pi Sigma is an associated society of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and holds membership in the Association of College Honor Societies.

The objects of the society are: to serve as a means of awarding distinction to students having high scholarship and promise of achievement in physics; to promote student interest in research and the advance study of the subject; to encourage a professional spirit and friendship among those who have displayed marked ability in physics; and to popularize interest in physics in the general collegiate public.

The chapter members of the Howard Chapter include Professor Frank Coleman, Dr. Halson V. Eagleson, Dr. Lawrence B. Robinson, Dr. Nelson Fuson, Mr. Franklin Fletcher, Mr. Fred Hipp, Mr. James Drew, Mr. William McIntosh, Mr. Elbert H. Bebb, Mr. Ernest L. Smith, president of the Howard chapter, Mr. Earle Jones, vice president, Miss Pauline F. Piper, treasurer, Mrs. Doretha Amos Bebb, secretary, Mr. Paul Ware, Mr. Donald Jefferson, Mr. Charles Cook, Mr. Rutherford Adkins, Mr. Ralph Turner, Mr. Louis Swaby, Mr. George F. Miller, Miss Hauree Washington, Mr. Willie Barber, and Mr. James Crosby.

The granting of the petition of the local group is a recognition of the standing of the physics department and of Howard University in the field of science. This distinction comes largely as a result of the efforts of Professor Frank Coleman, Head of the Department, and his staff in bringing the department up to a rating among the best in the country.

Hilltop

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Letters

To Whom It May Concern:

I heartily endorse the idea that the editorial staff of the *Hilltop* should, as much as possible, be made up of students of the highest scholastic rank and who have had journalistic experience.

It has been my observation, as well as others, that even though our school paper has been very good, every effort should be made to improve it scholastically and to keep the paper on a continued high plane of scholastic and journalistic standing.

William B. West,
Dean of Men.
Very truly yours,

The Hilltop

Howard University
Dear Mr. Royce:

Although it may seem an unfair and arbitrary proceeding to limit the office of editor-in-chief of the *Hilltop* only to those students who have had courses or experience in journalism, I feel that it would be a step in the right direction. The bringing out of a paper—even a campus paper—requires a considerable amount of technical skill which one cannot always pick up. Moreover, the paper of any school is a very significant symbol because it is really an index to the quality of work done in the school. Howard can ill afford to take a chance on a "green" editor of its school publication. In our case, there is too much at stake. I therefore feel that the editor-in-chief of the *Hilltop* should be a qualified person.

Very truly yours,
Arthur P. Davis
Professor of English

Hilltop
Howard University
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

As we look about us and read and survey the newspapers which circulate in our cities and communities, we become increasingly aware of the importance of keeping the press free from political obligations and patronage. I think that it is a paramount importance to begin the practice of free thinking while in college in the hope that we shall be able to carry it with us out into civilian life. It is obvious that a primary step in thinking freely is the maintenance of a free and working press. In this light, I should like to endorse wholeheartedly the proposal of nominating the administrative members of the *Hilltop* from the staff, and freeing it of political obligations, in the hope that we may get a better paper, since it will reflect purely the interest of the workers.

Then too, the experience of the staff members should make them much more qualified to fill the positions than those who have not had the previous experience in newspaper publishing. I sincerely wish you every success in your undertaking, and you have my full cooperation in the project.

Sincerely,
Durwood C. Archer
President, Alpha Phi
Alpha Fraternity,
Beta Chapter

STUDENTS! EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS!

Mr. Wendell J. Royce, Editor
The Hilltop
Howard University
Dear Mr. Royce:

Your proposal to initiate a system which would insure the admission of only qualified candidates for the position of Editor of *The Hilltop* impresses me as one of exceptional merit. Journalistic technique must be learned through classroom as the University newspaper should be directed by one with such training. When we consider the fact that *The Hilltop* may represent Howard in many circumstances where there is no possibility of correction of misimpression, this fact becomes of especial importance. I am happy to see a serious effort being made to insure improvement in the administration of the paper, and I am sure that the student body and the faculty will welcome your proposal with enthusiasm.

Yours truly,
Charles L. Campbell
Department of English

Chairman of the Nominating Committee,
Student Council, Howard University,
Washington 1, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Wendell Royce, Editor of the *Hilltop*, has discussed with me his proposed recommendation for the eligibility requirements of the editor in chief, the associate editor and business manager of the *Hilltop* and has asked me to write a letter to you giving my reaction to his suggestion.

It is my considered judgement that the best means for selecting the responsible official of a publication is to have the selection made by those who have worked with the candidates in the past and who will have to work with them in the future, since they have a vital interest in the selection of the most competent persons. Since this is not the case, however, I think that Mr. Royce's suggestion, that these officials should have at least served one year of experience on the *Hilltop*, or that they should have completed one year in Journalism, will go a long way toward insuring that competent persons will be chosen to fill these positions. I wish to recommend this suggestion to the nominating committee for their favorable consideration.

Sincerely yours,
Armour J. Blackburn
Director of Student Affairs

CAMPUS CAPERS LAFF 'N' LEARN

JOHNNY. HELPS CECILE ACHIEVE ALACRITY AND OBTAIN OBLOQUY

1. I DON'T CARE IF I DO FLUNK! PROFESSOR MOELLER IS TOO RUSSY FOR WORDS...HE JUST DRIVES ME WILD!

2. OH DEAR! WHAT A TERMAGANT OUR STAR BUSINESS COURSE PUPIL, CECILE, IS!

3. TCH! TCH! I DID THINK SHE WAS SO CHARMING... AND NOW MY NEW SECRETARY IS ACTING LIKE A PERFECT PTERODACTYL!

4. CECILE, DEAR, YOU'LL NEVER MAKE THE PROFESSOR LIKE YOU, IF YOU START OUT ACTING LIKE A MEAN OLD VIRAGO

5. O, I FEEL SO IRRITABLE! I COULD SNAP HIS HEAD OFF! MY THROAT FEELS RASPY AND DRY FROM SMOKING SO MUCH, TOO

6. LOOK HERE, I DON'T KNOW WHY PROFESSOR MOELLER BOTHERS ME SO MUCH, BUT I WISH YOU'D ALL STOP NAGGING ME

7. NOBODY'S NAGGING YOU, PET. WE WANT TO HELP YOU CLIMB AS A TYCOONESS WITH OUR NICE PROF. I THINK JOHNNY HAS A GOOD IDEA

8. YOU'VE GOT CIGARETTE HANGOVER! WHY NOT SWITCH TO PHILIP MORRIS AND ENJOY YOUR SMOKING

9. BUT TIME AND PHILIP MORRIS REALLY PROVE SOMETHING

10. AN ECDSYASTIC CHANGE, INDEED— THANKS TO PHILIP MORRIS!

11. BEHOLD OUR FORMER OFFICE CRONE IS NOW A VERITABLE ERATO!

12. THAT'S RIGHT, CECILE! PHILIP MORRIS IS THE ONE CIGARETTE PROVED DEFINITELY LESS IRRITATING.

13. WELL, I'LL GIVE 'EM A TRY

14. PLEASE LISTEN DEAR

15. THANK YOU DEAN, FOR SAYING PROFESSOR MOELLER HAD SUCH A NICE SECRETARY

16. I'M DELIGHTED! OUR ERSTWHILE CERBERUS HAS BECOME A PEREGRINATING BANNER OF WELCOME! SHE'S VERY SWEET!

17. PHILIP MORRIS HAS CERTAINLY WORKED WONDERS FOR CECILE

Use These Words With Tongue-in-Cheek!

(Plan to use ONE every week!)

CERBERUS (sir-bur-us)—The three-headed watchdog of Hades.

CIGARETTE HANGOVER (Never pronounce it! Do-nounce it!)—That stale smoked-out taste, that tight dry feeling in your throat due to smoking.

ECDSYASTIC (ek-diz-ee-as-tik)—A complete stripping-off of outer covering.

ERATO (err-ah-p)—Muse of Joyous Poetry.

OBLOQUY (obb-lo-kwee)—Heaped-up scorn or abuse.

OBVIATE (obb-vee-ah)—to go around or avoid.

PEREGRINATING (pair-ig-rin-ay-ting)—Roving about.

PTERODACTYL (teer-oh-dak-till)—A prehistoric winged lizard.

TERMAGANT (ter-ma-gant)—A nasty nagger.

TYCOONESS (tyc-koon-ess)—A rich Tired-Business-Woman.

VIRAGO (veer-aw-go)—A shrew or cranky female.

Here's the Moral to Complete Our Tale —

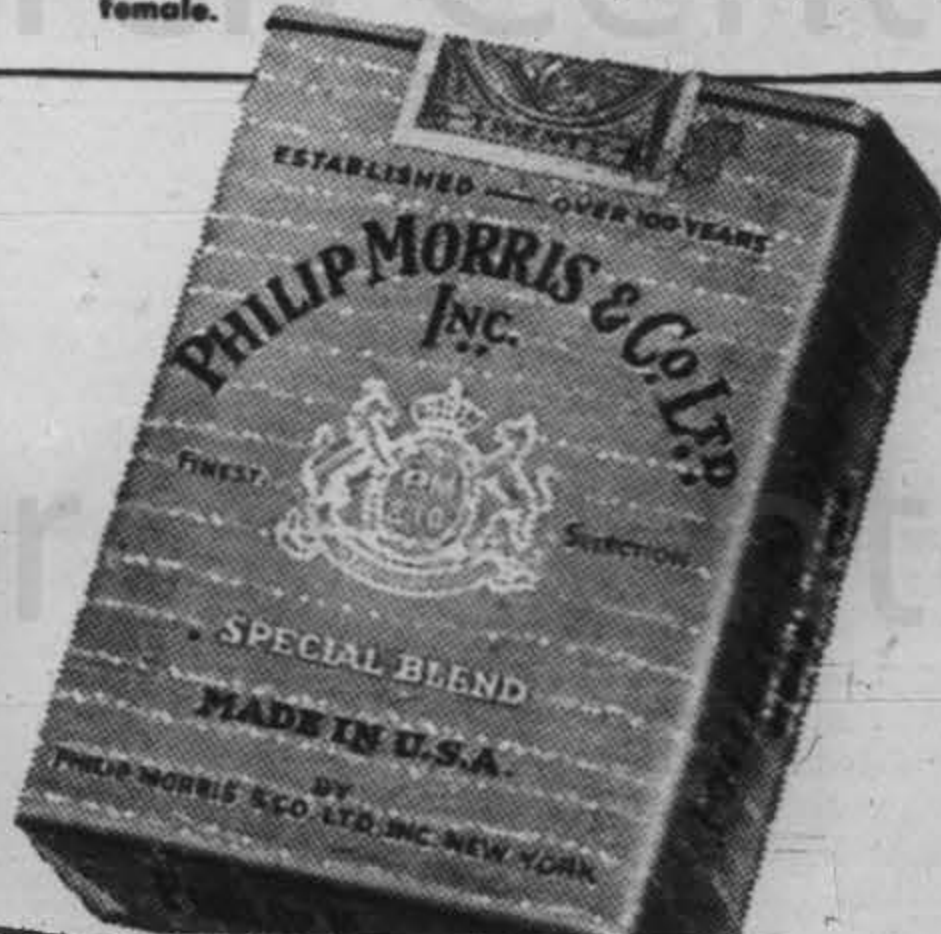
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PHILIP MORRIS



Letters

(Continued from page 2)

Mr. Wendell Royce, Editor
The Hilltop
Howard University
Washington, D. C.
Dear Mr. Royce:

The Hilltop, as the official student publication of Howard University, plays an important role in the University's internal and external public relations program. The talents of embryo writers are displayed to members of the University community through the columns of the Hilltop, and many of our external publics base their opinions of Howard University as an institution, its staff and student body, upon what is written, and how well it is written in the columns of the student publication.

It is for these reasons that the individual who directs, and is responsible for the work of the Hilltop staff, should be a competent, efficient student who has demonstrated a strong inclination toward newspaper work, and who has had at least one year of experience handling the tools of journalism.

To say, "Who ought to be editor of the Hilltop?" is like asking, "Who ought to be tenor in the quartet?" Obviously, the man who can sing tenor. It is possible to elect a square man to fill a round hole, under the present rules and regulations governing the election of an editor of the Hilltop. In order to safeguard whatever progress the paper has made to date, and to insure progress in the future, certain basic qualification for the position should be setup. These qualifications for the position should be met by each candidate for election before his name is placed upon a ballot.

I firmly believe that newspaper work offers better opportunities, aside from the accumulation of wealth, for real serviceable, result-getting labor than any other business a young man may choose, and I believe the Hilltop can, in time serve as a concrete stepping stone for the budding journalist. It should sustain the same relation to the young writer as the hospital to the medical student. Whether or not the Hilltop fulfills its destiny, and how soon its objectives will be reached, depends largely upon the quality of its leadership. The Hilltop can exert a good or evil influence according to the training and character of those who direct it. It is a mill that grinds all that is put into its hopper. Fill the hopper with poisoned grain and it will grind it to meal, but there is death in the bread.

So, it's important to select a good man to direct the work of the Hilltop into useful channels. I suggest that you set up minimum qualifications for all candidates for the position of editor . . . and make it possible for him to be removed from his office if he proves to be unfit for the position. There may be luck in getting a good job, but there is no luck in keeping it.

Cordially yours,
Otto McClarrin
Director of Publicity

Editor of The Hilltop
Dear sir:

It is now nearing that controversial period of student elections. Among those elected at that time are the editor, associate editor, and business manager of the Hilltop.

Persons elected for these positions are for the most part inexperienced and elected by those who know little or nothing about the abilities of the persons to fill the required positions.

In order to maintain the desired standard of a college newspaper, the elections to such positions should be made by those more qualified to recognize the necessary qualifications.

I do not feel that the desired amount of competence can be reached under the leadership of one who knows little or nothing about the duties of the position he is about to fill. I do feel that the election of such officers should be done with such care as to insure the continuation or building of the desired standard.

In order to provide for such, I feel that these positions should be restricted to those who have had the needed experience and elected by those competent to recognize the desired qualities.

Aurelia Chaney

Dear Mr. Royce:

I am deeply concerned over the fact that a majority of the members of the Hilltop staff are graduating in June. This will leave the most important position, editor, associate editor, and business manager, open to the petty politics of the fraternities, sororities, and other "clanish" organizations.

In order to elect the most competent personnel to the Hilltop staff in the coming General Student Election, I recommend that the Student Council amend its constitution to read, "That the candidates for the office of editor, associate editor, and business manager of the Hilltop must have served at least one year on the staff of the Hilltop."

It is only through this manner that those cliques which seek to control the elections will be frustrated and a high caliber staff well be elected.

Robert M. Alexander.

Editor of the Hilltop

Dear Sir:

There is no question that it is necessary for a campus the thinking size of H. U. to have a student news publication that is a competent source of sober factual information and an organ for reflection of intelligent opinion.

The leading officials of the newspapers should not be catapulted from the gross ranks of the student body to be responsible position on such important organ. The improved regularity of the Hilltop over the past two years points to increased efficiency under an independent editorship. The current attempt by the staff of the Hilltop to make a step toward placing the Hilltop on a merit basis is highly commendable. The present request that nominees for the three elected positions on the Hilltop be either staff members with a years' training is a sound one; and merits the underwriting of every member of the thinking community.

Eddie C. Ellick

Dear Mr. Royce:

I agree that those who aspire to become members of the Hilltop staff should have previous experience with some college newspaper. Such criteria is desirable and should be required and enforced. Maintenance of a high journalistic level will encourage those who are well-equipped to work with our campus paper.

Helen M. Davis
Basileus
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

What Future Hilltop?

The campus newspaper is the spokesman of campus activities and many colleges and universities in the U. S. and abroad.

For several years the Hilltop has been fighting to obtain permission to nominate its officers from its working staff, however this campaigning has not met with any appreciable success.

During the last two school years we have been fortunate in as far as the editor has been elected from the working staff even though he was not officially nominated by the staff.

We have three elected officers on the Hilltop—editor, associate editor, and business manager. In the spring of 1948 the Hilltop nominated staff members for each of these positions. No candidate came through successfully; however, the former editor retained his office on an independent ticket by a very narrow margin. The remaining two officers were elected by the campus political groups solely on the basis of obtaining prestige for his organization not withstanding the fact that they were totally unqualified to occupy these positions, since they had not previously been exposed to the management and administration of a college-level newspaper.

Of the three candidates nominated for the office of associate editor, the candidate endorsed by the Hilltop was the most qualified since he had served three years in the capacity of a department editor. In spite of this fact, the figures from the final tally of election notes shows that this candidate received only 95 of the 886 votes cast for this office, which indicates that the voters were not so much interested in putting a competent man in office as they were interested in securing prestige for their organization. Similarly, for the position of business manager, the Hilltop candidate received only 69 of the 776 votes cast for that position.

It is our contention that since the staff of the Hilltop is more or less permanent, every opportunity for advancement should be offered to those who work conscientiously producing the publication. We do not feel that those persons who have worked and acquired a knowledge of newspaper publication should be subjected to having administrative officers who have no experience and no practical knowledge of publishing. As has been indicated many times in this office this condition is certainly not ideal for procuring the fullest cooperation of the staff members.

In order to maintain an adequate newspaper, the paper must adhere to certain standards and should not be in constant danger of having these standards changed at the arbitrary discretion of inexperienced officers. Therefore, it appears that those people who are familiar with the procedure are more capable of handling the duties of these officers and of publishing a college paper on the standards which have been set.

Also, the paper in order to be a truly good one, should be free from political obligations. It is the link between the individual student and the rest of the campus including the administration. It should therefore, be unbiased. It should be able to present a clear and concise picture of all activities. It should be looked upon by the students as a source of authoritative and correct information. It cannot maintain these standards if the officers are elected not on the basis of merit but of political affiliations and social status. A person who is already on the staff would be without such ties and therefore could function without bias.

It is our desire that the students body give careful consideration to this pressing problem, and that it make known to the editor its sentiments, through letters. We wish only to provide the University with a top grade publication. Please give us your cooperation.

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As I See It

By Chestine Everett

In any college community, it is perhaps the campus journal that best and most descriptively bespeaks of the will and welfare of its student inhabitants. It is the campus publication that mirrors and defines the attitudes and character of its student public and enhances or demotes the prestige and honor of the institution whose name it bears.

With the above purpose of your *Hilltop* as a prelude to this commentary, let us reason and finally let us resolve what is best in securing and maintaining a journalistic calibre worthy of the talents of its student authors, always enhancing and accreditable to the university it represents.

As a fourth year member of your *Hilltop*, I have come to know of those things that deteriorate and destroy the qualitative character of a college journal, as well as I have come to know those things that enhance and perpetuate the accreditable qualities of such a publication.

In past years I have seen elected to the *Hilltop* staff, members who had no conceivable idea of the purpose and mechanism of a college paper. Their social glamour and social club affiliation alone gave them eligibility to such responsible offices as Editor, Associate Editor and Business Manager of the *Hilltop* publication. It is regrettable that any college student with sincerity of purpose and dignity of being could ever subordinate the interest and welfare of an entire student body to the selfish and glamorous ambitions of his fraternal and sorority affiliation. Can he not see that the prestige of his club is no greater than the calibre and spirit of his campus organ? Why then will he not cease the ill contrived and vicious practice of nominating and electing officers on a purely clannish basis rather than on competence and efficiency superiority? It will be a better day in journalistic circles here on Howard's campus when it is realized that there is greater laude wrought upon an organization by the efficient service of only one member than there is in the incompetency and insincerity of a dozen more.

Campus politics are perhaps a wholesome aspect of a college career, but only so long as they themselves are wholesome—and in the interest and welfare of the student body—never in the interest of student clubs. It is no simple task commanding in respect and competency any one of the elected positions to the *Hilltop*. Each is a position that knows its fullest and most efficient service in the hands of a capable and sincere holder. And it is well established that such capability comes only in experience and active participation in the creating and publishing of the paper itself. It is not more conceivable then, that it would be in the constructive interest of the student body if only members having previously served on the *Hilltop* should be eligible for nominations? For I have come to know that even with experience, the mechanism and intricacies of journalistic publication sometime assert themselves in a manner that taxes and befuddles the most experienced student, not to mention the miserable results that are affected by persons whose sum total of any type of college experience is his miraculous survival of fraternity or sorority initiation. When he was announced as a candidate for office not even he wanted to run, but in the indoctrinated belief that the only important thing is to "get the man in office" he ran ignorantly on—and won. To have lost would have been uncommon—to have served with any degree of efficiency would have been miraculous. Having secured the glamour of the position he is content to end it there. The prestige of the title alone is sufficient gratification for his having won. His organization, which went all out in corruption, graft and cliques to have him win is no longer concerned with him or the sincerity and efficiency with which he handles his office. Such as these have been the fate of the *Hilltop*.

It is in earnestness and desperation that this year's staff, sincerely devoted to the betterment and maintenance of student will solicits your sympathy and support in its new qualification for *Hilltop* nominees.

We say to all clubs, cliques and clans that we trust you will not continue to promote the inefficiency and insincerity of office holding that you have so well done in the past. But we strongly hope that you will resolve that no organization is greater than the community which is inhabits—no interest more important than that of the general will, and that there is a greater nobility seen in quality than there is in number. And that in this resolution you will join this year's staff in its effort to affect a nomination policy that will maintain and promote the journalistic quality of the *Hilltop* that is so often assumed to be its possession.

Now Is The Hour

Something has got to be done about the deplorable situation which the *Hilltop* now finds itself faced with lack of qualified leaders!

The problem starts every year in April when the general student elections are conducted here on Howard University's campus so it is not necessary to elaborate on that at this time. However, we do feel that it is necessary to elaborate on the necessary qualifications for the executive positions of the *Hilltop*.

The executive positions of the *Hilltop* require people who are energetic and well grounded in the fundamentals of journalism. These positions require personnel who understand that the *Hilltop* represents over 1,000 students and not merely the staff of the paper. Being representative of so many students, the *Hilltop* should be conducted by the best qualified persons on the campus. Here at college we should be most interested in working in positions that are closely related to our planned life endeavors. Consequently, the members of the *Hilltop* executive staff should be those persons who are planning on making a career in the field of journalism.

Richard Turner, Jr.
Phi Beta Sigma

MDC Celebrates 17th Anniversary

Lightning and thunder accompanied by heavy rain did not stop the Men's Dormitory Council of Cook Hall from celebrating its seventeenth anniversary. The affair was held March 31, 1949 in the Andrew Rankin Chapel at 8 p. m.

"The Howard of tomorrow depends on what we are and what we do today," stated Mr. C. L. Miller, assistant Dean of Liberal Arts, and guest speaker for the program. In his address, Mr. Miller said as Howardites we are proud of our founders, but he thought the ideals of our founders are not being realized fully today, because their ideals were those of good scholarship.

Mr. Miller added that Howard University has a competent faculty, adequate buildings, with funds to build more, and alert students and he could see no reason for poor scholarship.

"Eighteen per cent of Freshmen who come to Howard graduate on time," he said. "Most of them are dropped or have to wait one or two quarters, or dropped permanently." He believed that most of the losses are due to academic failure, and difficulty in adjusting Freshmen to the "Howard way."

Mr. Miller declared that a student's attitude plays an important part in adjusting himself to the traditions at Howard, and if one has a good attitude he shouldn't have any difficulty because "Attitudes guide and direct us."

"In the dormitories, we may talk about what Howard students should do, but unless we set examples, we will never recapture the traditions of this institution," he added.

After speaking, Mr. Miller was presented a key, by Charles Irving, and made an honorary member of the Council.

Participants of the program were Charles Irving, President of the Council, and Master of Ceremony, Cecil George, who gave the history of the MDC, and Lorenzo Walker who presented awards to Durwood Archer, Harold Reed, William O'Neil, Ross Clark, William Matory, Chestine Everett, Cecil George, Edgar Toppin, Robert Flagg and Dixon.

Music was furnished by the "Que" Chorus.

The Rising Wind

by Charles Jiggetts

Spring is here at last and romance is in the air. The birds are singing and the flowers are blossoming. Benches all over the campus give proof to the fact that lawn lounging season is here again. Even the old apple tree under the flagpole is about to blossom. Fellows are humming "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree With Anyone Else But Me" already. The sun is sending down its warm rays of bright cheerfulness. After all those continuous days of rain, sleet and snow and other antagonistic weather in general through which we have recently passed, it is no great wonder that happiness permeates the air. Smiles and laughter which formerly carried such a high price are free again. No more gloomy weather and gloomy faces. Spring is here and it is great to be alive!

The grass is growing green again which is a sure sign of great accomplishment to many of us. For if we are still here when the grass turns green we know that we have weathered the thundering and electrifying storm of academic survival for another year. Even the playboy takes note of his own greatness and calls himself a serious-minded scholar. The proof is in the green grass and the fact that he still remains even if it is by the skin of his teeth.

The Registrar's Office, which leads the registration procedure, is certainly to be congratulated for the new registration system. There were no mass plunges for class lists or mobs fighting to get in classes. Registration was orderly; seniors received preference for courses and for the most part it was mere process of walking from one place of registration to the other. It did not take all day or two days as was customary. There are still a few difficulties to be adjusted but they are minor ones on the whole the system is very commendable. For years the Howard student has been yearning for such registration order. Our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to those who were responsible for this well lubricated registration machine. It was indeed a gigantic boost to the morale of the Howard student as well as a wonderful way to usher in the Spring Quarter.

Although they are as yet remaining in the background, the campus political parties are by no means idle. What with the coercion and persuasion of party coalitions they are quite busy. Perspective nominees for leading offices are being seized and are being carefully briefed. In a few weeks all party preparations will have reached a high pitch and will burst out upon us all. Then watch for elaborate campaigns and orations and the advent of more sagacious and more astute political machines than ever before. Just a warning so you won't be surprised. We are not in that part of the outside world ruled over by the Rankins' the Talmadges and other gangs, so feel free to express yourself through the vote whether you are in a fraternity or sorority or not. There is no disfranchisement here because of color or for any other reason. You will not be shot, beat up, boiled in oil, or kidnapped by the KKK if you vote in the coming elections. That may sound sarcastic, but according to the small vote that has been cast in past years one would think that there was a definite danger. Enough of election talk for the time being. Hold on to your student cards and I shall try to keep you informed all along the way.

There are three new words floating around the campus which are not to be found in the dictionary, so I shall pass them on to you. They are words which refer in some degree to meals. The first is "Brunch." This is a meal eaten late in the morning around ten forty-five, too late for breakfast yet too early for lunch. It is consequently a good substitute for both. Usually it consists of a doughnut and maybe a cup of coffee. The second is "Brupper." This is a meal eaten late in the afternoon around five o'clock too late for breakfast or lunch yet too early for supper (dinner or evening meal). It is consequently a good substitute for all three. It usually consists of a hot dog and a soda or if you're lucky maybe a glass of milk. The third word I found to be a synonym for the second one. It is "Dibrunch" in which we find breakfast, lunch, and dinner. These words are used more near the end of the month when many students are without funds than at any other time. At that time of the month these people believe that it is folly for a person to have a small desire for a decent meal. They say that it is all in the mind. It's a great life if you don't weaken.

SEEN AROUND THE CAMPUS . . . the refreshing delightfulness and beauty of the recently elected Co-Ed Cadet Colonel . . . many wear sun glasses to keep the sun out of tired and baggy eyes . . . a nasty rumor that a Howard student strangled to death a woman in an alley on Columbia Road . . . the organization of a North Carolina State club called "The North Carolinians," who presented the Williston Choir in concert last Monday noon in the Chapel . . . the Bison Committee working feverishly to meet the printer's deadline for the early June arrival of the Bison . . . BeBoppers, and those appreciative of Bop, making a bee line to the Howard Theatre to pay homage to Dizzy, the high priest of Bop . . . Government students flocking to hear Dr. Harold Laski in the Chapel last Friday evening . . . the editor of the *Hilltop* campaigning to get the nominating committee to refuse all nominations for the *Hilltop* Staff unless the nominees have had at least one year of experience working with the *Hilltop* or the equivalent in journalistic experience; this would insure greater efficiency of staff members as well as make for other obvious benefits . . .

Alpha Convention Comes to Washington

Beta and Mu Lambda Chapters of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity are making preparations to entertain delegates to the Fraternity's Eastern Regional Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., on May 6, 7, and 8, 1949.

Beta Chapter, which is the undergraduates chapter at Howard University, and Mu Lambda Chapter, which is the graduate chapter in the District of Columbia, are to be the joint sponsors of the Convention. Elaborate plans are being made by the various committees, which consists of members of both chapters, to provide entertainment and an interesting program for the Convention delegates. Estimated attendance is 500 Alpha brothers from all over the Eastern Region.

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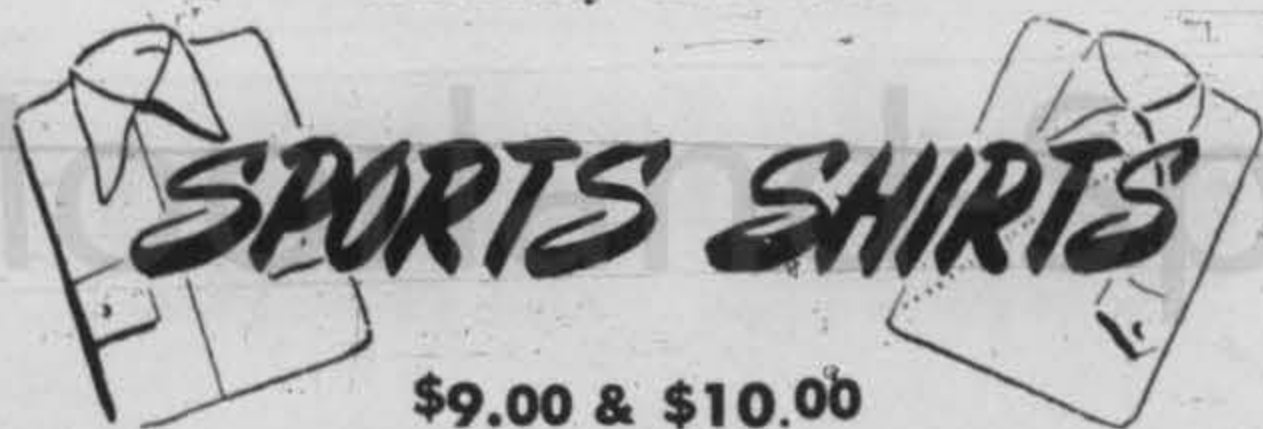
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To The Editor

Great Shades of the Jabberwock

Dear Mr. Royce:

From the tenor of Mr. Shannon's and Miss Ressay's letters, both of which appeared in the March 24 issue of the *Hilltop*, (one of the best so far), I am inclined to believe that the former grossly mis-interpreted the facts as stated in Mr. Everette's critique on the recent Delta Jabberwock, and the latter just has not matured intellectually.

Mr. Shannon missed the point of the article when he implied that a critique should meet with the approval of those whom it concerns, in this case, the participants in the Jabberwock, and the "vast number" to which he referred as having seen the performance. If all personal opinions, and that is all critiques were so treated, how dull life would be.

The fact that Mr. Everette is an art student renders him capable of judging and evaluating a revue whose very make-up centers around art. The criteria by which one measures entertainment of the Jabberwock-type, or any other for that matter, are based on one's sense of appreciation in the light of standards that have already been established by so-called experts. Certainly one would dare not to divorce scenery, costumes, music, choreography, or dialogue from the realm of art of which each is a vital part in stage-production. Because one happens to be a ditchdigger is no reason to deem him incapable of passing judgement on something not pertaining directly to his vocation. By the same token, one does not have to be a member of the Theatre Guild, nor a Brook Atkinson in order to qualify as a participant in, or a critic of a play or musical. The ability to criticize transcends one's station in life. One person might see something beautiful in a wagon-load of manure silhouetted against a magenta-hued, evening sky; another might turn his nose up at the same sight.

As a columnist, Mr. Everette attended the Jabberwock, I presume, not with the expectation of seeing a Rodgers and Hammerstein vehicle unfold on the stage, but with the hope of seeing an A-1 performance given by a group of amateurs whose principal business that night lay in the presenting of skits on a par equal to that of a Harvard Hasty Pudding Show without sacrifice of quality of production. Moreover, the fact that the Jabberwock is student entertainment is no excuse that skits should suffer from mal-continuity of script, or be lacking in originality.

I am a "Greek" who has witnessed several Jabberwock performances with some of which I have not always been pleased, purely from an artistic point of view, and like other "Greeks," I held high hope that my organization would capture first prize. Students, however, have various reasons for attending affairs such as the Jabberwock—some go to see; some, to be seen, and some just go—the stage activity is only incidental, that is until the awarding of prizes at which time each organization and its fellow-travelers get together on applause, while the judges huddle to make their decision as to who should get what prize on the basis of merit.

I doubt that Everette sought revenge, as was implied in one of Mr. Shannon's questions, upon the different fraternal organizations for his hurt conscience and pride in that he was never allowed to become a member of a Greek-letter organization. Although I know nothing of his having attempted to join a fraternity, I do know that he has lost nothing by not having become affiliated with one. The fraternities are the losers, not Everette, for he would be an asset to any group to which he might apply for membership, and indeed he has far more to offer, a moth-eaten cliché to which Noble Greeks attach a great deal of importance, than many of the "Lumpheads" whose sole concern as members in their respective brotherhoods, is that of wear-frat pins, without which they would be lost, for by what other means have they of identifying themselves with the "mystic heard," to which they cling like crabs as tangible evidence of having "arrived?" Remove their pins and they become like jellyfishes void of social or intellectual prowess. Allah be Praised.

Of course Miss Ressay's contribution to the editorial page was ridiculous, so much so that I wonder what is her purpose at Howard. She asks that Christine be reminded of his status as a student which, evidently she isn't, for if she were, she would not have viewed with apoplectic alarm, Mr. Everette's use of polysyllabic words with which any D plus-average university student ought to be familiar. Perhaps this young lady is not aware of her having at her disposal such courses as Classics 30 (vocabulary building), the Humanities, Social Science, Art 126, Drama—Phillip Morris Ad 101 "ain't" so bad—in either of which she could at least acquire a nodding acquaintance with some of the terms, in Chestine's critique, that seemed so repulsive to her non-academic mind. Perhaps, again, these courses, from which, I will bet my life, any student in the University of Chicago, Harvard, Yale, or Vassar has built a comprehensive vocabulary, did not impress her, as didn't Mr. Everette's review. Had the lingo been OO-Blee-OO-Bop, that might have been right down Miss Ressay's "Academic-alley." If one is unable to pretend that he is being exposed to formal education, the least he can do is to keep his ignorance to himself instead of sharing it with others. Pedants, or OO-Blee-OO-Bop—each has its place, and I'm sure there is room for both in the *Hilltop*.

Very sincerely yours,
Ivory Wallace, Jr.

Intramural Program Continues

The basketball season ended officially Saturday, April 26, when the Freshmen bowed to the Sophomores 78-37. The latter had won their way into the finals by defeating the Seniors by a close score, 61-58, while the former soundly thrashed the Juniors. For the winners, Lee with 26 points and Bacot with 18, and Freshmen Jefferson and Simpson with 12 each were best. For the Juniors and Seniors Cosby and Evans were high point. If an outstanding all-class team were selected the following men could not be left off: Cosby and Jefferson forwards, Bacot center, and Evans and Simpson as guards with Gaines and Lee as alternates.

Intramural swimming may be enjoyed by males only Monday and Wednesday evening from 7:15 to 9:00 in the University pool. Co-ed swimming will be held each Friday 3:30 to 5:30.

Faculty Basketball Team

The faculty team originated as the brainchild of Prof. Samuel E. Barnes of the Physical Education Department who foresaw an outlet of the latent ability of the staff and faculty. They asked and gained entrance to the Professional School Basketball League when the Medical School dropped out. They were hard pressed to field a team and only won one of five games. This winter with new personnel the team not only ran away with the same league as evidenced by an undefeated record, but also thumped the Faculty teams of Lincoln University and Delaware State College and two Maryland Counties. The overall record for the season was 17 won and 3 lost.

Howard Track Team Rounding Into Form

Saturday practice with Catholic University gave the Bisons hope of having another good season. Despite the rain and heavy track the times made were reasonably good for early spring. Joseph Payne, the new addition to the squad turned in a 10 flat in the hundred, winning his race very handily. James Bruce showed it would not be long before he would be in top shape. The smooth striding Bison seemed to be fully recovered from his recent operation by winning the Mile in a respectable time, and pushing Catholic U's ace middle distance man to a 2 minute 1.8 second in the 880. Hinton and Woomack looked good in running one-two in the 2 mile run, giving us hope of scoring points in that event when championship time comes around. One of the weak spots in the team was the Mile Relay, which was won by the Cardinals; only one of Howard's regulars from last year was out. Louis Russell ran a beautiful anchor but the 30 yards handicap was too much for him to cut down, 28 yards was all he could get back. The Howard Relay will not be held this year, but we expect to have two dual meets on the campus, April 9th and 16th. The rest of the schedule is as follows:

April 22nd and 23rd
Seton Hall Relay in New Jersey
April 29th and 30th
Penn Relays in Philadelphia
May 3rd
D. C. A. A. U.—University of Maryland
May 6th and 7th
C. I. A. A. Relays—Location undecided.
May 13th and 14th
C. I. A. A. Championship—Morgan State

HU Captures Boxing Crown

Paced by Norvel Lee, colorful Olympic heavyweight, the Bison Boxing team slugged its way to become the King-pin of the CIAA fistie world.

"My boy," Strickland bounced back after being knocked down in the first round to capture the 135 pound championship by defeating Taylor of Shaw with a brilliant two fisted finale.

Monty Hickman, classiest CIAA competitor in years was knocked out by Clayton of St. Augustine in a stunning upset.

Norvel Lee avenged last year defeat by Duncan of Union, former CIAA champion. Lee, fighting a beautiful battle, kept Duncan at a distance throughout the contest with a long, stiff left jab.

The Bison went into the finals needing one win to gain the crown. Lee and Strickland came through with one apiece in the finals and much needed points were contributed by fighters, Harry Cochrane who reached the finals only to lose to Paige of Winston Salem, Lewis, Anderson, and Barbee who reached the semi-finals, and gallant Monty Hickman who scored three knock outs himself took the long count.

G. E. Demonstration

The General Electric Company presented a Scientific Demonstration called "House of Magic" in Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel on Friday, April 8, 1949. Demonstrations were held at 10:00 a. m., 2:00 p. m., and 8:00 p. m. Some of the highlights of the demonstration included motionless motion, seeing sound, hearing light, a train that obeys spoken commands, cold light, invisible light, lighting an electric lamp with a match, electric burglar alarm, and many other things of interest.



Portrait

Dr. Armour J. Blackburn, Director Student Affairs
By King D. Johnson

Dr. Armour J. Blackburn was born in Danville, Virginia. He received his High School education in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. Blackburn has enjoyed a long and pleasant relationship at Howard University. His parents and an uncle are graduates of Howard. As an undergraduate here he was a member of the Student Council, business manager of the *Hilltop*, and a member of the Debating Society.

After receiving his A. B. degree from Howard University he received the M. A. degree in High School Administration in 1937 and the degree of Doctor of Education in College Administration and Student Personnel Work. During his graduate study at Columbia he was elected to membership in the Phi Delta Kappa and the Kappa Delta Pi honorary societies.

Before returning to Howard, he had fourteen years of experience in the Public Schools of North Carolina where he served for one year as an elementary school principal; for two years as a high school teacher; for eleven years as a high school principal, and for three summer sessions as a member of the faculty at Fayetteville State Teachers College.

While in North Carolina, he was a member of the Governor's Commission on Inter-racial Cooperation, President of the Fayetteville Negro Chamber of Commerce and a member of an Inter-racial Committee appointed by the State Department of Education to rewrite the English course of study in North Carolina high schools.

In 1940 Dr. Blackburn returned to his Alma Mater as Field Agent in the Office of the Secretary where he was employed until he was appointed Director of Student Affairs January 1, 1948. As Field Agent, he organized and helped to administer the Howard University National Competitive Scholarship Examination in twenty-nine states. He helped to initiate and secure contributions to the Howard University Scholarship Fund which includes an endowment fund of over \$70,000 and helped to promote the establishment of several substantial individual loans and scholarship funds.

During his brief tenure as Director of Student Affairs, in addition to the many routine matters which must be handled by his office, Dr. Blackburn spends many long hours helping to plan and devise a more adequate program for meeting the needs of Howard Students, and he has been extremely gratified with the widespread cooperation which has given to the program of student affairs by all members of the University community.

Another magnificent accomplishment realized by the university is the recently installed "Bison Plan." The fulfillment of this ideal was possible through the capable organization and guidance of Dr. Blackburn. Through his experience as Director of Student Affairs he has been able to conceive of a "Better Howard Plan." This new idea is concerned with a more harmonious relationship between students, faculty and administration. It is his absolute belief that only through better student-faculty-administration relations can the University fulfill its role and destiny.

Dr. Blackburn sincerely has the interest of the students at heart.

EDITORIAL

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Keeping in line with the *Hilltop's* present policy of maintaining a staff-in-training composed of lower classmen, we feel that when nominations are in order we will be wholly qualified to submit nominees who are thoroughly trained and qualified for their positions. We further believe that in this manner the *Hilltop* can best serve the needs of our campus community.

The *Hilltop* invites and encourages expression of opinion on this issue. Will any student who thinks that a commendable news organ on the campus is necessary and important, send a note to that effect to the Liberal Arts Student Council or to the *Hilltop* immediately. Along with your communication submit any question you deem important and related to this proposal.

Filling An Assignment

By King D. Johnson

Spring!! Ah, sweet rejuvenator of life at last je vous ai trouve. Welcome! Move in with your balmy breezes and soft blue skies. Let us again witness your manifestations in Natural beauty. Bring back to us that weather which so entices languidity. Let us again revel in leisure. Bring to us that sense of utopia and euphoria which so thoroughly distracts from the routine rigors of recitations. Dispell, as you descend, the dull drabness of winter and in its stead reintroduce to us that supreme beauty of budding trees and green rolling hills.

Ah! Spring, at last you're here. But wait — What's this? Lovely Spring, how could you?? Like the poor family's cow you do a good bucket of milk only to kick it over. Here we are, basking in that divine glory which is peculiar only to you, and you shatter our dreams. Why not be content to display only your better self? Huh? Why you gotta bring in them showers of rain, acres of ragweed, thorns and briars, bugs and worms? Get hep, Baby, and shake them devastators of your splendor.

Speaking of worms and devastators of natural beauty there is among us a group of "football athletes" who can't be found in the fall. These worms are earthworms who are concerned with the destruction of the University Terrace in front of Douglass Hall. These astute scholars of the science of football not only chew up the turf and grass but run and romp in their civilian clothes. There oughtta be a law agin' it!!!

Aristotle said man is a political animal. Hobbes said he is a nasty brute. Dorsey said he is a fool. But you ain't heard nothin' yet. We say man is a gopher!! He'll gopher anything P-Y-R-A-M-I-D-S. Everybody went for it—and every body got took.

Que Chorus Appears In West Virginia

The Que Chorus, Omega Psi Phi's nationally famous choral ensemble, appeared recently in highly successful programs in West Virginia. At midnight, April 8, after a well-received rendition at the ROTC Ball, the Ques left for W. Va. The following evening, under the baton of Valerian Smith, they entertained a capacity audience at West Va. State College, and honored the Omega Sweetheart there. On Sunday, April 10, the group won the plaudits of a thoroughly captivated audience at the Garnet High School Auditorium of Charleston, W. Va. Following the recital the chorus was entertained at an impressive cocktail party.

Local audiences will have an opportunity to hear the Que Chorus when its annual Words and Music program is presented on May 8, 9, and 10th at the Rankin Memorial Chapel. This is the last season that the group will be under the direction of Valerian Smith. His successor has not yet been determined.

Student Council Minutes

The president called the meeting to order at 7:15 P. M. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted with corrections. A report on the Social Program of this quarter included the request for a Freshman program and a request for a Spring dance to be given on May 6, 1949, by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Due to a conflict on dates, it was decided that a committee of representatives from Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi should be present at the next Council meeting to decide upon the winner of the date of May 6, 1949.

It was announced that a Student Council picture for the 1949 Bison would be made on Saturday, March 26, 1949, at 4 o'clock.

Clifford Booker, chairman of the Social Committee presented a report which included the following plans: a panel discussion to be held in the Library on March 31, 1949, a May Day Festival Dance featuring a small band, and a breakfast after the Easter Sunrise Services. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the May Day Festival Dance would be an invitational formal dance.

Mr. Hudson reported that American University has proposed an exchange of university assemblies with Howard. At the President's suggestion, Miss Cynthia McClain was made the chairman of a Committee on Displaced Students.

After a detailed discussion, fifteen was the number set for Achievement Key Awards for the Class of '49. Names that were selected from a list of twenty candidates by the majority opinion of the Council are: Doris Carr, Roberta Fitzgerald, Ernestine Hairston, Andrea Sparks, Clifford Booker, Charles Irving, Chestine Everett, Edsel Hudson, Alfred Johnson, William Matory, Wendell Royce, Richard Turner, Frank Scott, Ross Clark and Durward Archer.

The meeting was adjourned at nine o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeannie Smith, Rec. Sec.
Edsel Hudson, President

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Baseball Team Wins Opener

Tom Johnson (Skipper), after completing a successful swimming season has once again come up with a winning team.

Howard Harris, the mighty mite, turned in a sparkling performance against A. and T. College scattering nine hits and cooling the opposition to an eight to three performance, while his teammates led by the big guns of Fitzgerald, Jones, Bailey, and Glue fingers Young exploded base hits among the panic stricken Aggies.

The explosion started in the first inning when Goodson uncorked a long drive into center field on a hit and run, scoring Jones, who had walked, all the way from first base. Big Fitz hit a triple in the second inning with the bases FOB—full of Bisons.

The Aggies were outclassed a-field and at bat. They attempted a rally in the ninth inning with singles by Morgan and Blakely, however Harris calmly put out the fire.

Howard	Ab	H	R
Jones, 2b	4	2	2
Goodson, ss	3	2	2
Young, 3b	5	1	3
Fitzgerald, c	5	1	0
Eugene, rf	3	1	1
Bell, lf	4	1	0
Bailey, lb	5	2	0
Hoston, cf	4	0	0
Harris, p	4	0	0

Totals 37 10 8

Aggies	Ab	H	R
Smith	4	1	1
Daniels	3	0	0
Goins	1	0	0
Gaeber	4	1	1
Alston	4	0	0
Rouse	4	2	0
Morgan	3	2	1
Blakely	2	0	0
Girer	2	0	0
Robbison	2	0	0
Canada	2	0	0
Simmons	2	1	0

Totals 35 9 3

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The newly elected Co-ed Colonel will lead the grand march, which will consists of Cadets and their guest, along with the Regimental Commander, around the entire perimeter of the hall, forming lines of eight. After these lines have been established the drums will roll and suddenly swing into the dance.